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Cooperation and technology can build a stronger judicial system in Michigan

By Chief Justice Maura D. Corrigan

Tello! On behalf of our Supreme Court, let me share a few thoughts on the Court's vision for the coming year. Our priorities for action are set out in the judiciary budget that we submitted to the Legislature on February 28.

The judicial branch of government — consisting of 616 judges and nearly 10,000 employees — pledges to deliver on the promise of our court rules: the just, speedy, and economical determination of every action. Our duty is to improve on the service we deliver to the public. I know how hard you work to keep these promises to the public. I also know that we all face various obstacles in achieving greater success. In resolving our mutual problems,

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I promise to listen to you, to rely on your expertise, and to be guided by your wisdom. My colleagues and I want always to learn from you and to form a collegial relationship with you.

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The Michigan Supreme Court's goals for the judiciairy:

Fairness
Accessibility
Accountability
Effectiveness
Responsiveness
Independence

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Let me first discuss our technology vision.

Technology

Michigan's trial and appellate courts currently function in what amounts to a patchwork quilt of technology systems. Thus, a major technology infrastructure initiative tops our list of priorities. Our vision is bold: we seek a first class technology infrastructure that makes Michigan's judiciary a model for our nation. Governor John Engler proposed a cybercourt in the State of the State message. We are exploring this concept with the legislative and executive branches. We have concluded that a common infrastructure will only further the governor's cybercourt initiative.

We have proposed a statewide information network that will connect Michigan's 319 trial court locations and the appellate judiciary with state agencies, including the Michigan State Police and Secretary of State. For too long, our trial and appellate courts have been handicapped by an inadequate patchwork of computer systems. We need a simple, statewide solution to the current technology puzzle. Our courts must be able to communicate easily with one another, with state agencies, and the public we serve.

A communications pipeline will allow automated reporting of felony dispositions for criminal background checks and automated driver abstracts for tracking problem drivers with the Secretary of State. We envision a pipeline that will one day allow e-filing of cases and e-payment of traffic tickets and court fees, a direct and tangible benefit to the taxpaying public. A first-class technology system will furnish the people of Michigan with excellent services from this branch of government — which they need and deserve.

We anticipate launching this technology effort with a pilot project involving our 25 largest circuit and probate courts. The chief judges of these courts have written in support of the pilot program, as has Secretary of State Candice Miller.

CSES enforcement

As you may know, Michigan faces significant federal sanctions because of historical problems in implementing the federally-mandated child support enforcement system. Seventy-three of our 83 counties comply with the federal system. Since mid-January, we have made significant progress in the 10 non-CSES counties. On February 7, we presented signed letters of intent to the governor from the chief judges in all the non-CSES counties. As of March 2, responsible officials in all 10 non-CSES counties had signed formal memoranda of understanding among the courts, the counties, and Family Independence Agency (FIA). In addition, I'm pleased to report the FIA has already begun working with the courts in four counties — Ingham, Clinton, Genesee, and Berrien — to begin the transition to a federally-compliant statewide system.

I especially credit our friends of the court and court administrators who have expended great efforts in cooperating with the FIA. People like Friend of the Court Lynn Davidson in Macomb County and Friend of the Court Alex Luvall in Wayne County are thinking out-of-the box to solve these perennial problems. They and their colleagues are proving that they are not only friends of the court, and friends of the child, but friends of Michigan. While we are an independent branch of government, we are united in our mission of averting serious financial penalties while insuring that vulnerable children receive prompt court-ordered support.

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Best Practices

Jackson County Friend of the Court receives two national awards

The Jackson County Friend of the Court Office has received two national recognition awards. The first award, the National Association of Counties (NACo) achievement award, is designed to give national recognition to county accomplishments in the development of innovative and successful programs in the category of court administration and management achievement. Award winners were recognized at NACo's Annual Conference in Charlotte, NC, in 2000.

The Jackson County Friend of Court Office received this award for its program "Enforcement 2000." Enforcement 2000 is the name given to the friend of the court offices child support enforcement program. The program uses automated enforcement processes to increase the number of cases set for hearings on orders to show cause, simplified forms for generating orders after the hearings, and the use of pre-show cause conferences to attempt to resolve cases before a hearing is held. The friend of the court office reported that, as a result of the program, orders to show cause increased from 1,100 to 6,000 in the past year.

The friend of the court office was also named as one of three finalists in the National Child

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Therapeutic drug courts

Therapeutic drug courts represent an innovative approach to problems of drug addiction. Studies show that they effect positive change by holding drug offenders accountable for their actions, while at the same time providing intense supervision, testing and counseling. Therapeutic drug courts have demonstrated remarkable success across our nation. We are continuing our collaborative efforts with the departments of community health and corrections to insure the success of this novel program.

The Court will hold a hearing on June 14 in Kalamazoo to learn first hand about the progress of therapeutic drug courts around our state.

New staff

The Supreme Court, as you may have heard, has a new chief of staff in Carl Gromek. Carl comes to the Court from his post as Chief Clerk and Research Director of the Michigan Court of Appeals. Michael Gadola, former House Majority Counsel, has joined the Court as Legal Counsel. More information on both additions to the Court's staff can be obtained on the Supreme Court web site at www.supremecourt.state.mi.us.

Conclusion

Thank you all for your hard work! I know you understand that a strong and independent judiciary is essential to maintain our democratic freedoms. I pledge to work with all of you to make Michigan's judiciary a model of service to our citizens.

Court projects strive to improve services

Courts in seven Michigan counties are striving to improve services to local citizens as part of the Supreme Court's



Next Generation Model Trial Courts Project. Launched in 2000, the project builds on the success of the seven court consolidation

demonstration project courts initiated by the Supreme Court since 1996. All Next Generation courts are working to make their courts easier to navigate and more effi-cient to run while preserving the fair, impartial, and unbiased adjudication of cases.

The Next Generation project enables participating courts to:

 coordinate trial court functions, such as fee and fine collections, among the various courts in their jurisdiction;

- modernize management technologies, such as case scheduling programs and video technology;
- simplify and coordinate administration of all trial court services;
- provide family-focused delivery of trial court services;
- streamline docket processes;
- consolidate case file management operations; and,
- improve access to justice by making courts less confusing to use.

Courts with projects underway include those in Cheboygan, Kalamazoo, Marquette, Genesee, Oakland, Midland, and Livingston Counties. A summary of their goals appears on the next few pages.

MARQUETTE COUNTY

Program manager: Patricia Micklow Retired 96th District Court Judge



The Marquette County circuit, district and probate courts areas of study and improvement are as follows:

- •Early intervention services: review in relation to domestic relations cases with children.
- •Family division assessment: implement family division assessment recommendations.
- •Facility/security: provide safe access to the courts for all constituents and a safe, productive work environment for staff.
- •Human resources
- •Case/record management
- Court technology
- •Court administration
- Collections

MIDLAND COUNTY

Program manager: Catherine Davis Friend of the Court



The Midland project chooses to keep a specialized bench, partly due to is small size. The project consists of two circuit judges, two district judges and one probate court. They agree that the following functions can and should be consolidated within the courts: jury services, case file management, and coordinated scheduling services and calendars designed for the criminal docket.

The project's primary objective is to analyze the management processes of the three courts and study the value of consolidation. The judges will examine the following areas:

- Case management: develop a county-wide case flow management system.
- Security: coordinate security efforts.
- Alternative dispute resolution: develop countywide ADR program.
- Court performance: consolidate counter and service area functions.
- Court services: review court appointed attorneys and client reimbursement functions.

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OAKLAND COUNTY

Program manager: Lisa Symula Family Division Administrator



The goal of the Oakland County circuit and probate courts is to formulate and finalize a plan of operations which will create a fully merged court system. The primary areas of attention are court performance, accountability and public perception, and financial efficiencies. Samples of potential outcomes within those arenas include:

- Court performance: streamline administrative operations to enhance service coordination with court-related agencies; implement court technology enhancements that speed case updates and improve information sharing with relevant parties; consolidate and further computerize case file management operations; and reduce the number of cases pending for more than two years.
- Accountability and public perception: unify budgets to demonstrate cooperation among courts and accountability to funding units; more fully integrate whole-family court services to decrease constituent confusion and increase access; develop innovative ways to provide public convenience and service continuity; and formalize and centralize community relations functions such as press releases, annual reports, and newsletters.
- Financial efficiencies: reduce need for special assignment judges; use magistrates and judges efficiently to eliminate scheduling conflicts and redundancies; increase court revenues through improved and consolidated collections activities; and create fee structures to support electronic filling and web form access functions.

CHEBOYGAN COUNTY

Program manager: Lisa Smith Administrator/Probation Officer 89th District Court



Cheboygan County courts have identified aspects of court administration in need of review in order to plan for the future. The courts involved are the Cheboygan circuit, district and probate/family courts. They will focus their attention on the following areas and goals:

- •Human resources: use human resource management expertise to benefit the public and apply it to all the courts in the county.
- •Case/record management: improve case management through decreased duplication and repetition; review file processing.
- •Court technology: review system use and explore ways to further improve administrative efficiency.
- •Facility security: review from a systems perspective to provide safe access for all constituents to the courts.
- •Court administration: eliminate redundancy of administrative functions; streamline courtroom scheduling and jury management.
- •Collections: increase fee collection; review the accounting systems to eliminate duplication.
- •Alternative dispute resolution: review options for sharing services between courts.
- •Judicial resources: review scheduling and worksharing possibilities.

GENESEE COUNTY

Program manager: Gerald Thalhammer Family Division Administrator



The Genesee County Circuit Court, Genesee County Probate Court and the 67th District Court goals are: to study the experience of the unified trial court project in Michigan; to implement collaborative strategies that are or may become known through the planning process; and to draw conclusions about the future structure of the courts in Genesee County. The areas being considered for consolidation or improvement include:

- •Modernized technology: improve court information and video technology.
- •Simplify administrative structure: streamline collections and financial management functions, budgeting and information systems; maximize revenue collections.
- •Improve access to justice: maximize use of electronic filing, credit card payment via Internet, and web site collaboration; address ADR and pro se litigant issues; provide an in-court information booth, public pamphlets, and directory assistance by maps and signs.

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LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Program manager: Susan Svoboda Probate/Juvenile Unit Administrator



The Livingston County circuit and probate courts are committed to improving access to justice and delivering more efficient judicial services to Livingston County residents. They have established the following outcomes to be achieved by their plan:

- •Collections: improve the collection of fees by consolidating all collection functions into a single computer system, reviewing bookkeeping systems and eliminating duplication.
- •Technology: implement video arraignments in three courtrooms; review present computer systems for enhancements; and implement interactive video technology for mental hearings.
- •Security: finalize security equipment, such as metal detectors, contracts, and procedures.
- •Court administration: simplify the management of the courts by improving conference room and personnel scheduling; reviewing jury management and developing a method to collect standard statistical information.
- •Judicial resources: update family division plan in accordance with new facility changes and review judicial assignment needs according to caseload demands.
- •Case/record management: review areas to identify and minimize redundancies and establish remedial procedures.
- •**Program development:** consolidate any redundant programs and prioritize long- and short-term program needs.
- •Public relations: develop system for keeping the public aware of upcoming events, changes, court dockets; enable a system to allow the public to provide ongoing input to the local judicial system.
- Family services: finalize supervised parenting program and continue to develop/prioritize family services needed by court constituents.
- •Budgets: review and develop a plan for consolidation of budgets.
- •Court services: develop and prioritize court services needed; identify areas of improvement and devolop an implementation plan for court services.
- •Law library: finalize consolidation of circuit and probate court law libraries, decrease duplications, finalize new computer equipment, and convert Premise to WestlawPro.
- •Staff training: provide consistent staff training including specialized training as needed.
- Facilities: finalize new facility needs and develop friend of the court office architectural plans.
- •Human resource management

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Support Enforcement Association's "Most Improved Program" award. The award recognizes a state, regional, or county program that has shown exceptional improvement in services to its constituency and in the key performance areas of paternity establishment, order establishment, collections on current support, collections on past-due support, and cost effectiveness.

As runners-up to New York, the friend of the court office pointed to its success in providing fresh and innovative enforcement techniques that led to an increase in collections by nearly \$4,500,000. This enforcement activity has also led to an increase in show cause hearings and bench warrants issued by the office.

When asked how they will improve over last year, Andy Crisenbery, director of the friend of the court office, reported that the office is already \$2.6 million ahead of last year's child support collections through Sept. 30, 2000.

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KALAMAZOO COUNTY

Program manager: Cheryl Stewart Court Administrator, 8th District Court



The Kalamazoo County courts have engaged in a number of cooperative efforts to provide the efficient delivery of quality judicial services to the community. The courts view the Next Generation Project as an opportunity to further advance those efforts. They have currently identified the following areas as the focus of their project:

- •Integrated information systems: explore converting all remaining court records/information systems to the JIS system to place all local courts on the same system.
- •External integration: review options to improve the use, management, and exchange of justice and criminal history information among local agencies.
- •Unified jury system: explore a shared system for summoning jurors, juror payment, and panel configuration.
- •Video linking/teleconferencing equipment for courts and jail: examine video and teleconferencing equipment that would allow each courtroom and jail holding area to be linked by network. Proceedings could occur at any site without the movement of participants and with the utmost flexibility, convenience, and security available to every participant.
- •Electronic bench guide: explore providing electronic bench books through the current information system to all judges and hearing officers.
- •Drug treatment program: eliminate substance abuse behaviors and criminal activity; enhance offender accountability, education, and employability.
- •Pretrial services program: provide critical components such as a structured personal interview; a comprehensive, objective assessment process; bond recommendations at the initial arraignment; a continuum of conditional pretrial release options; and supervision and monitoring of defendants.
- •Coordination of post-adjudication supervision: share knowledge bases between adult and juvenile probation agents and officers; develop joint educational/training programs where networking and exchange of information can be maximized.

Notice of Public Hearing

Supreme Court to hold public administrative hearing in Lansing

The Supreme Court will hold a public administrative hearing in Lansing on March 29. This hearing, to take place in the Supreme Courtroom, will begin at 9:30 a.m. and adjourn no later than 11:30 a.m. Persons wishing to address the Court as to matters on the agenda should be advised that each speaker will be allotted no more than three minutes. The time limit will be enforced. Any questioning of the speakers by the Court will take place after the time for addressing the Court has expired. Persons wishing to address the Court on administrative matters are requested to provide notification to the Office of the Clerk no later than March 27, in order to obtain a guaranteed place on the agenda. Notification may be made by mail, phone or email. Contact: Office of the Clerk, Michigan Supreme Court, P.O. Box 30052, Lansing, Michigan 48909. PH: 517/373-0120. Email: msc_clerk@jud.state.mi.us.

Administrative matters on the agenda for this hearing are:

00-06: Proposed Amendment of Rule 2.625(F)(2) of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich 1212 (No. 3, 2000). Whether to expand the categories of postjudgment motions that operate to extend the 28-day deadline for presenting a bill of costs.

00-09: Proposed Amendment of Rule 7, Section 1 of the Supreme Court Rules Concerning the State Bar of Michigan. Published at 463 Mich 1209 (No. 2, 2000). Whether to specify that the vice-president of the State Bar Board of Commissioners succeeds to the office of president-elect, and then to the office of president.

00-10: Proposed Amendment of Rule 9.112(B) of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich 1208 (No. 2, 2000). Whether to add a requirement that requests for investigation of lawyers be verified under oath or by declaration of the complainant.

00-11: Proposed Amendment of Rule 1.201 of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich 1219 (No. 4, 2000). Whether to establish uniform effective dates for court rule amendments.

00-15: Proposed Amendments of Rules 3.210(C) and 2.119(E) of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich 1202 (No. 2, 2000). Whether to require trial courts to determine, before directing an evidentiary hearing, whether there are contested factual issues that must be resolved in order for the court to make an informed decision.

00-23: Proposed Amendments of Subchapter 3.700 of the Michigan Court Rules [Rules 3.702, 3.703, 3.704, 3.706, 3.707, and 3.708]. Published at 463 Mich 1203 (No. 2, 2000). Whether to amend the court rules pertaining to personal protection proceedings in light of recent statutory changes and the experience of trial courts.

00-28: Interim Amendment of Rule 3.208(C) of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich xlv (No. 3, 2000). Whether to retain the new subrule concerning the allocation and distribution of payments on Friend of the Court accounts.

00-31: Proposed Amendment of Rule 6.500 et seq. of the Michigan Court Rules. Published at 463 Mich 1220 (No. 4, 2000). Whether to impose a general one-year time limit on motions for relief from judgment.

The agenda items will be posted on the Michigan Supreme Court's web site in advance of the hearing. The web site address is www.supremecourt.state.mi.us. Notice of any additional matters for the agenda will follow as added.

Administrative Update

Friend of the Court offices receive federal funds through PRWORA

A new provision added to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) aids states in establishing and administering programs geared toward noncustodial parent visitation. Under this provision, states receive funding to support and facilitate noncustodial parent's access to, and visitation with, their children. Activities to be considered may include mediation, counseling, education, development of parenting plans, visitation enforcement, and development of guidelines for visitation and alternative custody arrangements.

Eleven friend of the court (FOC) offices from across the state were awarded \$275,348 for 2001 to establish and administer programs that support and facilitate parenting time. Applicants were encouraged to develop new and innovative programs in each jurisdiction that would target populations that have not been assisted by existing mandated services. Applicants were also encouraged to work with other agencies within their jurisdiction.

FOC offices receiving continuation grants include Antrim, Leelanau and Grand Traverse; Baraga, Houghton and Keweenaw; Crawford, Kalkaska and Otsego; Ionia; Jackson; Livingston; Marquette; Muskegon; and Oakland. New grants were awarded to Kalamazoo/Calhoun and Van Buren.

The grant, awarded to the Family Independence Agency and administered by the State Court Administrative Office, is a permanent component of PRWORA, but is dependent upon yearly appropriation from the federal budget. It also requires that all grant recipients provide 10% matching funds for their programs and status reports on the program's success. For more information on this grant, contact Colleen Condren, SCAO. PH: 517/373-9295.

Judge Martone receives national award

Judge Michael Martone of the 52nd District Court in Troy has received an award from the U.S. Justice Department's Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for his "Courageous Decisions" program, which has raised awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving and underage binge drinking. Since its inception in 1993, more than 52,000 students in 19 states have participated in this highly successful, nationally-acclaimed alcohol and drug intervention program.

36th District Court upgrades web site to reflect court changes

The 36th District Court in Detroit has significantly upgraded its website, www.36thdistrictcourt.org. The upgrades to the site were in response to changes taking place at the court.

The revised site, designed by AppNet of Bethesda, MD, includes biographical profiles, photos, and extensive public service information on processing cases within the court. The Court has secured the staff and technology to host and maintain the site within its own Management Information Systems (MIS) division.

ADMINISTRATIVE MAILINGS

The administrative mailings have been sent under separate cover.

LEIN News Bulletin November/December 2000

Interest Rates for Money Judgments as of 1/1/01

Attorney License Suspension: Mr. Phillip D. Frederick -Wayne County Circuit Court -Corrected Order of License Suspension dated October 17, 2000

Brochure from Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention "Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse, Your Information Resource"

Administrative Update

New interactive training program available through MJI

The Michigan Judicial Institute (MJI) has a new training program on CD-interactive and CD-ROM titled, *Court Employees: A Commitment to Excellence*. This program, funded through a grant from the Michigan Justice Training Commission, offers court staff a decision-making process that assists in identifying situations in the workplace that may be or appear to be unprofessional.

In the training, court staff are asked to view four video scenarios and decide what response is appropriate in each situation. Each scenario is followed by a set of decision-making questions. If viewers respond "yes" to any of the questions, they have identified the scenario as having the potential to be or appear to others to be inappropriate or unethical. Viewers are then asked to evaluate what action or actions are appropriate in each scenario.

The Model Code of Conduct is included as part of the CD program and a print copy of the code is also available. The model code has been developed as a training tool for the purpose of discussion. Courts are encouraged to customize the model code to reflect the policies in their court.

The Facilitator's Guide will assist courts in designing and implementing the training program. Masters for handouts, overheads, and job aids are also provided.

The *Court Employees: A Commitment to Excellence* CD-ROM with accompanying print materials was mailed to all court administrators in November. MJI Regional Training Centers received the CD-interactive version of the training program.

This program was developed with the assistance of the following people:

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Administrative Update

Domestic violence resource book available for FOC employees

The latest publication from the Michigan Judicial Institute (MJI), titled *Friend of the Court Domestic Violence Resource Book*, is ready for distribution. The book is intended to assist friend of the court staff in handling domestic relations cases where domestic violence is involved. It contains information about the following: the nature and dynamics of domestic violence and the attendant safety concerns; community referral resources; the laws governing access to children and support as they apply in cases involving domestic violence; safety concerns with alternative dispute resolution, particularly mediation; and the relationship between criminal and PPO actions and domestic relations cases involving the same parties.

Copies of the resource book are being sent to chief circuit court judges, as well as to friend of the court offices for distribution to staff members. Additional copies may be obtained by contacting Mary Ann McDaid. PH: 517/334-9379. EMAIL: mcdaidm @jud.state.mi.us. Other questions or concerns about the book should be sent to Mary Lovik, publications administrator. PH: 517/334-8998. Email: lovikm@jud.state.mi.us.

The resource book was funded by a grant number 95-WF-NX-0026 awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, and administered by the Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Board.

Changeover

APPOINTMENTS

Chabot, Rae Lee, was appointed to the 6th Circuit Court to succeed Jessica Cooper who was elected to the Court of Appeals, for a term expiring 12/31/04.

Hathaway, Michael M., was recently appointed to the 3rd Circuit Court to succeed Kirsten Frank Kelly who was elected to the Court of Appeals. His appointment is effective April 3. Judge Hathaway will have to run in 2002 for the remainder of the term, expiring 2004.

Jackson, Darnell, was appointed to the 70th District Court to succeed Bruce Scorsone, retired, for a term expiring 12/31/02.

Mytnyk, Peter H., was appointed to the 39th District Court to succeed Mark Switalski, elected to 16th Circuit Court, for a term expiring 12/31/04.

Pezzetti, Elizabeth M., was appointed to the Oakland County Probate Court to succeed Sandra Silver, retired, for a term expiring 12/31/04.

Randon, Mark A., was appointed to the 36th District Court to succeed Wendy Cooley, retired, for a term expiring 12/31/02.

RETIREMENTS

Howard, Barry L., 6th Circuit Court, is retiring effective 4/15/01. Judge Howard has served since 2/27/89 in the 6th Circuit Court, Oakland County, and his term expires 2002.

DEATHS

Neale, Joanne, retired Cheboygan County Probate Judge, passed away Dec. 3, 2000. Judge Neale had served the Cheboygan County Probate Court from 1/1/83-12/1/99.

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19-20 MJI — Train-the-Trainer Seminar Sheraton Hotel, Lansing

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27-28 MJI — Domestic Violence Summit Sheraton Hotel, Lansing

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5	Region IV Upper Peninsula District Judges/Admin./Clerks House of Ludington, Escanaba	20	MJI — Court Support Personnel Training Consortium MJI, Lansing
5	MJI — Probate Staff Specialty Seminar Comfort Inn, Mt. Pleasant	20	MI District Judges Association Executive Board
6	Region IV Lower Peninsula District Judges/Admin./ Clerks Region IV, Gaylord	20	Region III & IV Juvenile Registers Meeting
10-11	MJI — Criminal Law Symposium Marriott at Eagle Crest, Ypsilanti	23-24	Region IV, Gaylord MJI — Regional Court Support Staff
17	MI Judges Association Executive Board Meeting University Club, East Lansing	23-27	Sheraton Hotel, Lansing MJI — Basic Counseling & Interview Techniques
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